

- (i) Prophylaxis Programme to prevent Nutritional Blindness due to Vitamin A deficiency. This is also under the RCH programme.
- (ii) National Iodine Deficiency Disease Control Programme (NIDDCP).
- (iii) Pilot Programme for control of Micronutrient Deficiencies.

### **Treatment in charitable hospitals**

†3286. DR. PRABHA THAKUR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that treatment in many renowned charitable hospitals become more costly than the five star hotels;

(b) the provisions made for the treatment of common man in such hospitals;

(c) whether Government have formulated any policy to provide treatment facilities on reasonable charges to common man in these charitable hospitals;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) to (e) Health being a State subject, it is for the State Government to regulate the functioning of charitable hospitals and to ensure availability of treatment facilities on reasonable charges to common man.

### **Committee on controlling of female foeticide**

†3287. SHRI BALAVANT ALIAS BALAPTE:

SHRI SHREEGOPAL VYAS:

SHRI VINAY KATIYAR:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the graph of foeticide and the difference in the ratio of boy-girl are on rise in the country;

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.